

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested for the following reasons:

1. Objection to Specification and Rejection of Claim 5 Under 35 USC §112, 1st Paragraph

Although page 12, lines 8-12 of the original specification describes the “firm combination” of the respective conductors, the rejection of claim 5 and corresponding objection to the specification has been rendered moot by the cancellation of claim 5.

2. Rejection of Claims 1-9 Under 35 USC §112, 2nd Paragraph

This rejection has been addressed by amending claim 1, lines 14-15 to refer to –said collective winding structure—, rather than “a collective winding structure,” thereby clarifying that the collective winding structure recited in lines 14-15 is the same as the one recited in lines 4-5.

3. Rejections of Claims 1-6 and 7 Under 35 USC §103(a)

These rejections have been rendered moot by the amendment of claim 1 to include the limitations of original claims 4 and 6, and the amendment of claims 8 and 9 to include the limitations of original claim 1. Claims 6, 8, and 9 were indicated as allowable in item 9 on page 5 of the Official Action.

Having thus overcome each of the rejections made in the Official Action, withdrawal of the rejections and expedited passage of the application to issue is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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